



Sustainable Jersey Sessions

New Jersey League of Municipalities

NOVEMBER 17–19, 2026
Atlantic City Convention Center

TIME	ROOM	SESSION
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17		
2:00 – 3:15 PM	420	Sustainable Land Stewardship: Native Plants, Microforests & More Communities across New Jersey are adopting sustainable land stewardship practices that improve biodiversity, expand tree canopy, support pollinators, and strengthen climate resilience. Learn how municipalities are implementing initiatives such as native plant gardens, microforests, invasive species management, and community engagement programs while advancing sustainability goals. CEUs: CMFO-1.5 Off Mgmt CCFO-1.5 Off Mgmt CTC-1.5 Gen/Sec CPWM-1.5 Govt RMC-1.5 Prof Devel QPA-1.5 Off Admin/Gen Duties LGLP-5.0
3:45 – 5:00 PM	420	Renewable Energy Updates: Solar, Storage, and Geothermal This session provides an overview of how municipalities can implement renewable energy projects and support residents and businesses in lowering energy bills through programs like community solar, C-PACE and more. CEUs: CMFO-1.5 Off Mgmt/Anc CCFO-1.5 Mgmt/Anc CTC-1.5 Gen/Sec CPWM-1.5 Mgmt RMC-1.5 Prof Devel QPA-1.5 Green Purchasing CPA-1.5 PD LGLP-5.0 RPPO/RPPS-1.5 M/S
3:45 – 5:00 PM	421	Navigating New Jersey's MS4 Watershed Requirements NJ's updated MS4 permit fundamentally changes municipal stormwater management. This session provides a practical overview of new mandates, focusing on Watershed Assessment Reports and Watershed Improvement Plans. Learn how towns can collaborate across shared watersheds for regional efficiency and funding. Featuring real-world case studies, technical tools, and insights on stormwater utilities. CEUs: CMFO-1.5 Off Admin/Anc CCFO-1.5 Off Admin/Anc CTC-1.5 Gen/Sec CPWM-1.5 Govt RMC-1.5 Prof Devel QPA-1.5 Off Admin/Gen Duties CPA-1.5 Fin LGLP-5.0 NJCLE-1.5 PACLE-1.0
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18		
9:00 – 10:15 AM	420	New Tools, Funding & Solutions for Stronger Communities Join Sustainable Jersey for a preview of our 2026 municipal program refresh, featuring a new website, updated actions, and expanded recognition opportunities. Learn about current funding opportunities and free technical assistance programs that help communities reduce energy costs and greenhouse gas emissions, address flooding and waste challenges, create safer streets and more! CEUs: CMFO-1.5 Off Mgmt/Anc CCFO-1.5 Off Mgmt/Anc CTC-1.5 Gen/Sec CPWM-1.5 Mgmt RMC-1.5 Prof Devel QPA-1.5 Green Purchasing CPA-1.5 Fin LGLP-5.0 NJCLE-1.5 PACLE-1.0 RPPO/RPPS-1.5 M/S
10:45 AM – 12:00 PM	421	Food Waste Management: New State Rules & Local Spotlights Food waste management is entering a new phase in New Jersey. Recent legislation directs the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to develop a tiered composting framework and requires counties to update their waste plans. This session reviews what is known so far and features local program spotlights, highlighting program design, funding, partnerships, and lessons learned. CEUs: CMFO-1.5 Off Mgmt/Anc CCFO-1.5 County Fiscal CTC-1.5 Gen/Sec CPWM-1.5 Govt RMC-1.5 Prof Devel QPA-1.5 Off Admin CPA-1.5 Fin LGLP-5.0 NJCLE-1.5 PACLE-1.0 RPPO/RPPS-1.5 M/S CRP-1.25 Meeting
2:00 – 3:15 PM	421	Meeting Compliance for Resilience Planning to Suit YOUR Community As climate change impacts are intensifying across the state, municipalities are assessing their risks and how to act now to avoid future impacts. Learn about a new standard for doing climate vulnerability assessments, which are now required in master plans. This session will describe pilot projects aimed at enhancing municipal adaptive capacity and integrating climate readiness into comprehensive planning for implementation. CEUs: CMFO-1.5 Off Mgmt/Anc CCFO-1.5 Off Mgmt/Anc CTC-1.5 Gen/Sec CPWM-1.5 Mgmt RMC-1.5 Prof Devel QPA-1.5 Off Admin/Gen Duties CPA-1.5 Fin NJCLE-1.5 PACLE-1.0 LGLP-5.0 RPPO/RPPS-1.5 M/S
3:45 – 5:00 PM	420	Green Design and Renovation: Past and Future in Our Buildings New construction and renovation of municipal, commercial, and historic buildings can take advantage of NJCEP incentives! Renovations save on GHG emissions by reducing embodied carbon, and recycling construction debris reduces waste going to landfills. Learn about NJCEP incentives for new construction as well as NJCEP's workforce development reimbursement program for green building certifications. CEUs: CMFO-1.5 Off Mgmt/Anc CCFO-1.5 Off Admin/Anc CTC-1.5 Gen/Sec CPWM-1.5 Mgmt RMC-1.5 Prof Devel QPA-1.5 Green Purchasing CPA-1.5 Fin LGLP-5.0 NJCLE-1.5 PACLE-1.0 RPPO/RPPS-1.5 M/S

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19		
9:00 – 10:15 AM	420	Smart Strategies for Energy Efficiency in Municipal Facilities Explore approaches to improving energy efficiency in municipal facilities and maximizing the performance of existing equipment and systems. Provide an overview of utility-led energy efficiency programs that enable utility upgrades and ongoing optimization beyond one-time upgrades. CEUs: CMFO-1.5 Off Mgmt/Anc CCFO-1.5 Off Mgmt/Anc CTC-1.5 Gen/Sec CPWM-1.5 Mgmt RMC-1.5 Prof Devel QPA-1.5 Green Purchasing CPA-1.5 Fin LGLP-5.0 NJCLE-1.5 PACLE-1.0
10:45 AM – 12:00 PM	421	From Temporary to Transformative: Advancing Complete Streets Take control of your road design! Learn to advance Complete Streets through technical assistance and temporary demonstration projects. This session highlights how demonstration libraries, speed data, and public engagement let communities test traffic solutions, build momentum, and inform permanent improvements to create safer, accessible streets for all. CEUs: CMFO-1.5 Off Mgmt/Anc CCFO-1.5 Off Mgmt/Anc CTC-1.5 Gen/Sec CPWM-1.5 Mgmt RMC-1.5 Prof Devel QPA-1.5 Off Admin/Gen Duties CPA-1.5 PD LGLP-5.0 NJCLE-1.5 PACLE-1.0 Planning-1.25 Admin Land Use-1.25 Admin Zoning-1.25 Admin